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## **GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

Wyndham Hotel  
San Jose, California

**MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2008**

### **I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

Commissioner Esquivel called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. Commissioner Ayala led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **II. Roll Call, Determine Excused and Unexcused Absences, Establish Quorum**

**Commissioners Present:** Chuck Ayala, Jim Davis, Mike DeNunzio, Celia Esquivel, Shannon Glavaz, Erica Goode, Karen Josephson, Richard Lundin, Sharon Monck, Cheryl Phillips, Jon Pynoos, Carlos Rodriguez, Hav Staggs, Donna Ueland, Leah Wyman, Tom Rowe, Andy Scharlach, Connie Chang

**Commissioners Excused:** Hank Lacayo, Benny Yee, Lily Chen

**Staff:** Sandra Fitzpatrick, Carol Sewell, Marcella Lopez

**Guests:** David Wilder, Horace Mann, Mary Ellen Kullman, David Ishida

### **III. Introductions**

Commissioner Esquivel invited introductions from all.

### **IV. Approve Agenda**

The April 14-15, 2008 meeting agenda was reviewed.

M/S/C (Monck/Josephson)

**TO APPROVE THE APRIL 14-15, 2008 CCoA MEETING AGENDA.**

### **V. Approve Minutes from February 20-21, 2008 CCoA Meeting**

The minutes of the February 20-21, 2008 CCoA meeting were reviewed

M/S/C (Ayala/Lundin)

**TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 20-21, 2008 CCoA MEETING.**

### **VI. Public Comments**

None.

### **VII. Presentation: Report from the Administration on Aging**

David Ishida, Regional Administrator

Mr. Ishida congratulated CCoA on accomplishments and follow-up to the White House Conference on Aging. He reviewed Administration on Aging's (AOA's) strategic action plan focused on modernizing the aging services network, and pointed to the state level development

of the Aging and Disability Resource Centers as an emerging model of systems change. Ishida said AOA was working toward development of a technical assistance website; standardization of assessment, intake, and follow-up procedures; and client tracking strategies to prevent nursing home placement. He credited San Diego County for its success with system integration, and noted his ongoing concerns with emergency preparedness planning at the state, local, and area agency levels.

### **VIII. Executive Committee Meeting Report**

Commissioner Davis reported on the Special Committee's progress toward recommendations regarding the California Foundation on Aging. The matter will be discussed later in the meeting.

Commissioner Davis reported on follow-up to the February meeting with the State Independent Living Council (SILC) and noted that the joint public hearing tomorrow would be the next step.

#### **A. Revised CCoA Meeting Schedule**

Commissioner Davis reported that Executive Committee reviewed CCoA's financial statement and the 2008-09 budget. A lengthy delay in State budget passage is anticipated, which will eliminate Commission authority to travel. In light of budget constraints, Executive Committee recommended cancellation of the August 2008 meeting, holding the October meeting in Redding and the December meeting in Orange County.

M/S/C (Davis/Josephson) with one abstention.

**TO CANCEL THE AUGUST 2008 MEETING AND TO HOLD THE DECEMBER 2008 MEETING IN ORANGE COUNTY.**

#### **B. Operational Plan 2007-2009 Status Report**

Commissioner Davis thanked Fitzpatrick for preparing a status report on the CCoA Operational Plan for 2007-09.

### **IX. Public Hearing Committee Report**

Commissioner Josephson reported on plans for three public hearings on Health Care Access, beginning with June in Woodland. The Redding hearing would focus on more rural issues and will serve as the opening event for the Area 2 Agency on Aging's community forum. CCoA's Orange County hearing will address diversity, different care models and alternative health care approaches.

M/S/C (Phillips/Wyman)

**TO ACCEPT THE PUBLIC HEARING COMMITTEE REPORT.**

### **X. Executive Director's Report**

#### **A. Financial Statements through January 2008**

Fitzpatrick reviewed the CCoA financial statements through February 2008.

#### **B. Activity Report**

Fitzpatrick reported on staff activities through mid-April and gave an update on the status of the CCoA Operational Plan.

### **C. June meeting update**

Fitzpatrick reported on plans for the June 4-5 meeting in Sacramento.

### **XI. Chair's Comments**

Commissioner Esquivel presented an award to Commissioner Ayala for his eight years of service to the CCoA and his work on behalf of older adults in his community. Commissioner Ayala's resignation from CCoA was effective April 14.

### **XII. Recess until Tuesday, April 15, 2008**

#### **TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2008**

Commissioner Esquivel called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m.

C4A Director Derrell Kelch welcomed the CCoA to the Coordinated Leadership Conference and thanked them for their partnership in the conference planning.

#### **Commissioner Esquivel invited introductions from audience.**

Carmen Rivera Hendrickson, Tony Rogers, Jane Lewis, Jennifer Williams, Paul VanDorn, and May Nichols introduced themselves.

### **XIII. Advocacy & Policy Committee Report**

#### **A. Update on sponsored and/or CCoA related legislation**

Commissioner Staggs reported on CCoA-sponsored bills and gave the Committee's recommendations on the following new bills:

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| AB 1022 – Saldaña     | SUPPORT               |
| AB 2101 – Wolk        | SUPPORT               |
| AB 2370 – Bass        | WATCH                 |
| AB 2139 – De La Torre | SUPPORT               |
| SB 1107 – Correa      | SUPPORT               |
| AB 1900 – Nava        | WATCH                 |
| AB 2160 – Carter      | SUPPORT               |
| ACR 111 – Huffman     | SUPPORT               |
| AB 1951 – Hayashi     | SUPPORT               |
| AB 2137 – Saldaña     | SUPPORT               |
| AB 2229 – Huffman     | SUPPORT               |
| AB 2439 – De La Torre | SUPPORT               |
| AB 2516 – Mendoza     | WATCH                 |
| AB 2543 – Berg        | SUPPORT               |
| AB 2747 – Berg        | SUPPORT W/ AMENDMENT  |
| AB 1965 – Swanson     | Hold for June meeting |
| SB 1555 – Kuehl       | Hold for June meeting |
| AB 2100 – Wolk        | WATCH                 |
| AB 2149 – Berg        | SUPPORT               |
| AB 2150 – Berg        | SUPPORT               |
| AB 2842 – Berg        | Hold for June Meeting |
| SB 1140 – Steinberg   | Hold for June Meeting |
| SB 1259 – Margett     | Hold for June Meeting |

Commissioner Staggs presented a summary of AB 2747 (Berg). The A&P Committee recommended support with amendment to clarify the bill's definition of "attending physician." Commissioner Staggs asked for a vote by show of hands.

M/S/C (Staggs/ Phillips) with two abstentions.

**TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ADVOCACY & POLICY COMMITTEE TO SUPPORT AB 2747 WITH AMENDMENT TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN.**

**B. Update on other two-year bills**

Commissioner Staggs reported on the status of already-positioned bills.

**C. Federal Issues**

Commissioner Staggs reported on the progress of federal fall prevention legislation.

M/S/C (Staggs/Josephson)

**TO ADOPT THE ADVOCACY AND POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS TO SUPPORT NEW LEGISLATION AS SPECIFIED.**

**XIV. Unfinished Business**

**A. California Foundation on Aging (Commissioners Rowe & Ueland)**

Commissioner Rowe reported on Special Committee recommendations, noting that documentation received from CFoA appeared to be in order. He reported that few options exist for alternative placement of funds; Special Committee hopes to meet with CFoA to continue dialogue. Commissioner Monck reported that CSL had proposed a joint plan coordinated by CSL, CCoA and TACC for negotiating with the CFoA.

**B. Standing Rules Amendments**

Commissioner Staggs presented amendments to the Standing Rules as approved by the Bylaws and Operational Plan Committee. He noted that the last line of Section 5 should be changed to read "Reimbursement of expenses..."

M/S/C (Staggs/Davis)

**TO ADOPT THE AMENDMENTS WITH ADDITIONAL CHANGE TO THE STANDING RULES.**

**C. RespectABILITY Conference**

Commissioner Josephson reported on representing the Commission at the RespectABILITY Conference.

**D. Follow-up from meeting with State Independent Living Council**

Fitzpatrick reported on three agreements between SILC and the Commission; to exchange information between Commissioners and SILC members; to form a committee regarding accessible housing; and deciding to hold today's joint public hearing. The anticipated outcome of the public hearing would be a white paper outlining policy recommendations.

## **XV. New Business**

### **A. California State Budget Update**

Fitzpatrick summarized information presented on the proposed Department of Aging budget revisions. The Commission discussed implications of 10 percent across-the-board program cuts and heard concerns of several audience members.

M/S/C (Pynoos/Staggs)

**TO DRAFT A LETTER OPPOSING ACROSS-THE-BOARD CUTS TO CDA PROGRAMS AND DISCUSSING CONCERNS REGARDING THE NEEDS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND AGING.**

### **B. Senior Legal Hotline Request**

While the Governor's budget called for a 10 percent reduction in general fund monies provided to the Senior Legal Hotline, the Legislative Analyst's Office issued a recommendation that funding for the Hotline be eliminated in total. Sewell reported the Advocacy and Policy Committee's recommendation to retain full funding for the Senior Legal Hotline. After discussion the Commission amended the committee's recommendation to request that Senior Legal Hotline not sustain more than a 10 percent cut.

M/S/C (Davis/Rodriguez)

**TO SUPPORT FULL FUNDING FOR THE SENIOR LEGAL HOTLINE OR A MAXIMUM REDUCTION OF 10 PERCENT FOR 2008-09.**

## **XVI. Commissioner Reports**

Commissioners reported on activities since the February CCoA meeting.

## **XVII. Next Meeting: June 4-5, 2008 in Sacramento.**

The meeting recessed at 11:30 a.m. for lunch.

### **Public Hearing 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Topic: Accessibility for All

Commissioner Esquivel reconvened the meeting at 1:08 p.m. SILC Chair David Wilder introduced the hearing and outlined the afternoon's schedule.

Presenters Jon Pynoos, Jessica Lehman, and Gita Dev provided information on Home Modification, Aging in Place, Visitability, and Universal Design.

## **XVIII. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.